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[Creative Forces PowerPoint](#)

A PowerPoint overview of the initiative.

[Creative Forces Fact Sheet](#)

Brief summary of information about the initiative.

[Healing Arts infographic](#)

Visualization of the project.

Expert Voices

[The Mysteries That Drive Our Creative Forces](#)

By Bill O'Brien

[Veteran's Voices](#)

[Andrew Bell](#)

"My passion for music from before my injury helped me find my words more readily over time. Through music therapy I was able to express my feelings of frustration, love, and thankfulness for the life that was my new normal."

[Anthony Mannino](#)

"Music provides a buffer zone where I can feel more comfortable sharing things with others that are difficult to discuss in conversation."

Marcie McCammond

"Art and music are very soothing activities which keep our minds and hands busy, thus relieving some tension and allowing us to open up to some other topics."

Michael Rodriguez

"Art has many forms from painting to sculpting as well as blacksmithing and forging steel...treatment takes many forms as well. Art can bridge that gap."

Michael Schneider

"I used music to bypass the injured sections of my brain and to stimulate other pathways in my healing process."

Christopher Stowe

"I can state unequivocally that art therapy has helped me to be a better human, husband, father, and friend. I can also state unequivocally state that art therapy has helped save my life."

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